

School Board Meeting Minutes
Jackson County Central Schools
ISD# 2895
August 19, 2024

The regular meeting of the School Board of Jackson County Central Public Schools was held on Monday, August 19, 2024, in the JCC High School Auditorium Conference Room at 5:30p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 5:31p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

JCC Mission Statement:

Uniting our communities to prepare learners to succeed in an ever-changing world ... Inspiring Excellence.

Members present: Rhonda Moore, Troy Schultz, Tina Polz, Jody Thrush Withers, Levi Lucht, and Ben Appel. Also Ex-Officio Superintendent Barry Schmidt, Others present: Principals Mark Matuska, Chris Naumann, Kimberly Meyer, Director of Curriculum and Assessments Tammy Timko, and Preschool Director Amber Lessman.

Other Visitors Present: media - Justin Lessman and other guests.

Motion was made by Thrush Withers and seconded by Appel to approve the agenda as presented. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: None.

Informational Items:

1. [Superintendent's Report](#) - Barry Schmidt
 - a. Canvass votes for General Election needs to take place between Nov. 8 - 15
 - b. Board Chair Superintendent Evaluation Statement
2. Principal's Report - [High School](#), [Middle School](#), [Pleasantview](#), [Riverside](#)
3. [Business Manager's Report](#) ([revenues](#) and [expenses](#)) - Maria Bezdicek
4. Facilities/Grounds Director's Report - Drew Wedebrand
5. [Activities Director's Report](#) - Brett Bartholomaeus
6. Food Service Director's Report - Randy Masad
7. [Community Education Coordinator's Report](#) - Kortney Nesseth
8. [Positive Community Norms Coordinator's Report](#) - Gina Schoenfeld
9. [Preschool Director's Report](#) - Amber Lessman
10. [Director of Curriculum and Assessment Report](#) - Tammy Timko
11. Committee Reports
 - a. [Activities Committee Meeting](#)

Approval of consent agenda

1. Approval of minutes from the Regular School Board Meeting on [July 15, 2024](#)
2. Approval of minutes from the Work Session Meeting on [August 12, 2024](#)
3. Approval of the bills (Revenues:\$513,225.14 Expenses: [August board bills](#) \$234,974.37, [July Manuals](#) \$1,132,466.41, and July Net Payroll \$437,532.73)
4. Approve the resignation of [Susan Fields](#) as Head Cook at Riverside.

5. Approve the resignation of [Sandy Phillips](#) as Food Service Assistant at Riverside.

6. Approve the resignation of [Melissa Gallardo](#) as a Paraprofessional at the Middle School.

Motion was made by Lucht and seconded by Polz to approve the consent agenda. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: None.

Business Action Items:

Motion was made by Thrush Withers and seconded by Schultz to approve the following donations:

a. \$150 to JCC from Jackson County 4-H to offset utilities for use of the auditorium.

b. \$4,400 to JCC from the JCC Football Club for end zone cameras.

c. \$1,000 to JCC from the Jackson Community Grant for an Audiometer.

d. \$3,759.49 to JCC from The Robert and Helen Remick Charitable Foundation Trust.

e. \$2,759.49 to JCC from The Robert and Helen Remick Charitable Foundation Trust.

Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: None.

Motion was made by Appel and seconded by Lucht to approve setting the Truth in Taxation Hearing for 6:00p.m. on Monday, December 2 in the High School Auditorium. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: None.

Motion was made by Thrush Withers and seconded by Polz to approve the [Interagency Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding](#) between Jackson County Central School District #2895 and United Community Action Partnership, Inc. Early Head Start/Head Start for the 2024-2025 school. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: None.

Motion was made by Schultz and seconded by Lucht to approve the [Agreement for Transportation](#) of Jackson County Central #2895 to Non-Public Schools. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: None.

Motion was made by Polz and seconded by Thrush Withers to table the Approve [Facility Use Rules and Regulations Charges](#) for the 2024-2025 school year for more clarification. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: None.

Motion was made by Appel and seconded by Schultz to approve the [Lighting Proposal](#) with Retrofit Lighting & Design. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: None.

Motion was made by Schultz and seconded by Thrush Withers to approve the increase in adult school lunch at JCC from \$3.85 to \$5.00. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: None.

Motion was made by Polz and seconded by Appel to approve the [Resolution](#) for School Board employment for Jody Thrush Withers to work as a substitute in the JCC School District. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: None.

Motion was made by Thrush Withers and seconded by Lucht to approve the [Resolution](#) for School Board employment for Amy Voss to work as a substitute in the JCC School District. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: None.

Motion was made by Lucht and seconded by Polz to approve hiring the following staff for the 2024-2025 school year.

f. Macy Farmer as 8th grade volleyball coach. [Complete List of Fall 2024 Coaches.](#)

- g. Rachel Hawn as Science Teacher at the High School
- h. Rachel Landherr as Special Education Teacher at the High School

Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: None.

Motion was made by Schultz and seconded by Lucht to approve the resignation of [Kimberly Dean](#), Math Teacher at the High School. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: None.

New Business:

First reading of the following policies

506 - [Student Discipline](#) - Current Policy

506 - [Revisions reflect 2024 statutory changes re: reasonable force](#)

507 - [Corporal Punishment and Prone Restraint](#) - Current

507 - [Revisions reflect 2024 statutory changes re: reasonable force](#)

507.5 - [School Resource Officers](#) - This is a new policy for schools with SRO's

514 - [Bullying Prohibition](#) - Current Policy

514 - [Bullying Prohibition](#) - Clarified posting requirements and updated other sections

Motion was made by Thrush Withers and seconded by Appel to adjourn the meeting at 6:03p.m. Members voting yes: Thrush Withers, Polz, Appel, Lucht, Schultz, and Moore. Members voting no: None.

Rhonda Moore, Chair

Tina Polz, Clerk